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Sent: Wednesday, December 27, 2017 8:30 AM

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Subject: NE. SCATON and SCEO, Teduce tariff because of V.C. Summer Nuclear Plant; REUSE OF

THE PLANT.

Dear Mr. Hajny,

This is to acknowledge receipt of your additional emailed correspondence to the Public Service Commission of South Carolina. Your Comments will be placed in the Docket listed below and on the Commission's Website at <a href="https://www.psc.sc.gov">www.psc.sc.gov</a>.

 <u>Docket No. 2017-305-E</u> - Request of the Office of Regulatory Staff for Rate Relief to South Carolina Electric & Gas Company's Rates Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 58-27-920

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If we may be of further assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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Subject: RE: SCANA and SCEG; reduce tariff because of V.C. Summer Nuclear Plant; REUSE OF THE PLANT.

## Honorable Commissioners,

Further to the email below, by the mid-1980's it became clear that the Zimmer Power Plant then under construction east of Cincinnati, Ohio would not get a license for its nuclear reactor. So, the owners (Dayton Power and Light, Cincinnati Gas and Electric, and Columbus and Southern Ohio Electric Company) abandoned the reactor part of the project, installed a coal fired boiler instead of the reactor, kept the low pressure low temperature turbine, and added a high pressure high temperature turbine-generator to handle the higher temperatures and pressures of coal fired power plants, and finished the project.

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The Ohio regulatory commission set a not-to-exceed value of the amount to be put in the rate base. The owners agreed to absorb any cost over the not-to-exceed amount. My recollection is that the owner's finished the plant and put it into operation for the not-to-exceed amount.

Maybe the same could be done by someone for the Summer Plant, assuming that the problems at Summer are with the reactor and not with the turbine-generator-condenser, switchyard and associated control systems. These days natural gas probably would be the fuel and not coal.

Just a thought.

Regards,

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Subject: SCANA and SCEG; reduce tariff because of V.C. Summer Nuclear Plant; bankruptcy okay.

## Honorable Commissioners,

## Summary:

- 1. I ask that SCE&G tariffs be reduced so that rate payers are not paying *into the future* for the failed V. C. Summer Nuclear Plant.
- 2. I ask that SCE&G tariffs be reduced so that rate payers can <u>recover the money we have already paid</u> into the failed V. C. Summer Nuclear Plant.

## Elaboration:

As I understand it the utilities, especially the electric utilities, are now separated into separate companies. Therefore....

- SCE&G <u>Gas</u>: Doing a fine job, may be entitled to rate increases for new construction, operations and maintenance. Should not be penalized because of the debacle of the SCE&G Generation Company.
- SCE&G <u>Electric Distribution</u>: Doing a fine job, may be entitled to rate increases for new construction, operations and maintenance. Should not be penalized because of the debacle of the SCE&G Generation Company.
- SCE&G <u>Electric Transmission</u>: Doing a fine job, may be entitled to rate increases for new construction, operations and maintenance. Should not be penalized because of the debacle of the SCE&G Generation Company.
- SCE&G <u>Generation</u> and <u>SCANA</u>: Should be punished for the failure of the nuclear plant. This may mean that they
  go into Reorganization Bankruptcy (not the same a Liquidation Bankruptcy). So be it. Not the end of the world
  (see comments further below). Management and common stock holders should feel the pain, not the rate
  payers.

Higher cost of borrowed capital if bankrupt? Fine. Certainly after the failure of the nuclear project cost of borrowed money will be higher for SCANA and SCE&G Generation. Better to pay the financing organizations (banks, investment

funds, bond holders, etc.) than pay SCE&G Generation and SCANA who screwed up the nuclear plant project. Failure should not be rewarded or condoned.

Customers not served during bankruptcy? Not so. My <u>personal</u> experience is <u>not</u> what Attorney Belton Ziegler has recently reportedly testified to the Commission.

- I lived in Columbus, Ohio in the 80's when Columbia Gas filed for bankruptcy. The utility kept operating, reorganized, and gas supply to customers never stopped.
- I am from California, and about ten years ago Pacific Gas and Electric filed for bankruptcy. The utility kept operating, reorganized, and electric supply to customers never stopped.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.